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## FIRE PREVENTATIVE ASSOCIATION

Special Agents to Visit City Next Wednesday. Will Inspect Entire City. Deliver Addresses at Court House 8 p. m.

A. C. McCabe, chairman of the Publicity Committee of the Arkansas Fire Preventative Association was in the city yesterday interesting our citizens in this work. Wednesday a number of the officers of this association will visit Prescott and make an inspection of the entire city. Inspections have already been made in Little Rock, Pine Bluff, Hot Springs, Ft. Smith, Jonesboro and Morrilton and at each of these places the association was accorded the heartiest support and assistance.

The object of this association, stated in a nutshell, is to prove the truthfulness of the old adage that "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." To be a little more explicit, the object briefly stated is this: To lessen the enormous, appalling and unnecessary waste from fire; the imparting and disseminating of information on fire fighting methods; the lessening and removing of fire hazards; the encouraging of the passage of local laws pertaining to fire equipment and protection, adequate water service, building codes and strict regulations regarding the storage of powder, dynamite, gasoline and other volatile liquids and chemicals. But let it be thoroughly understood that fire prevention associations have no connection

with fire insurance agencies, or the question of fire insurance rates, other than these rates will automatically be lowered by precautions for fire prevention.

The fire loss in the United States for the past twenty years is greater than the combined assets of all the banks in America, amounting to the almost unbelievable sum of \$520 per minute for every day in the year. The total cost of fires in the United States in the year 1907 amounted to one-half the cost of new buildings constructed in the country for one year.

The total cost of fires, excluding forest fires, and marine losses, amounted to \$456,486,000, a tax on the people exceeding the total value of gold, iron, copper and petroleum produced in the United States in that year. The per capita fire loss of the United States is five times as great as in any country of Europe. The loss due to the destruction of buildings and contents in the United States amounted to \$215,084,709, a per capita loss of \$251 against a per capita loss in the six leading countries of Europe of 33 cents. In addition to this 1,449 were killed and 5,654 injured. And 50 percent of these fire losses are preventable.

After a thorough inspection of the city Wednesday at 8 o'clock in the Court House President W. Ross McCain, and C. L. Miller, F. C. Hatfield and J. S. Speed, members of the association will deliver addresses and discuss the question of fire prevention from every side according to what they have found our needs to be. Every property owner in the city should be on hand and exert his individual efforts to help in a work which means more to us than any insurance company.

## COUNTY PRISONERS ATTEMPT DELIVERY

By sawing one of the bars in the cell and removing two tiers of the brick wall in the county jail here last Thursday evening the four prisoners confined there came very near gaining their liberty.

There were several negroes convicted at the recent term of circuit court and it is supposed that they began sawing the steel bar. When these prisoners were carried to the penitentiary an old barlow was found in the cell and it is supposed that these prisoners had started to saw the bar. Nothing could be found in the jail after the attempted escape had been discovered but a few peices of snuff boxes and evidently this was what the prisoners used to finish sawing the bar.

After sawing it nearly into they broke up their cots and took the the railing and prized the bar out. Taking the braces from the cot they began work upon the wall using them to loosen the mortar and the steel peice of the cell to prize the brick out. They had nearly completed their job when Deputy Sheriff Holloway went up to feed them.

He found the four prisoners all in the cell and he unlocked the door and gave them their meal. Before going up stairs, Mr. Holloway's wife told him that she had heard some unusual kind of noise on the second floor. After placing the meal in the cell Mr. Holloway noticed some water on the floor. He asked the prisoners how it came there. He then asked about the window and upon investigation found one of the windows open and upon further investigation discovered the hole in the wall and then the bar out of the cell.

There are four prisoners confined in the jail at this time, two white men and two negroes. They are Chas. Foster, white, fined for resisting officer; J. W. Hall, white, held for horse stealing; Booser Hawkins, held for the grand jury on first degree murder, and Allen McGough, fined for carrying a pistol. A statement could be secured from none of them but it is the opinion that Hall was the instigator of the attempted escape.

Deputy Holloway has removed the cots and the prisoners will have to sleep on the floor or until stretchers can be secured. Mr. Holloway states that he will not allow anything at all in the cells that can be used to prize or saw the bars of them.

### Sen. Martin Has Double Ailment.

Little Rock, March 23—State Senator A. C. Martin is hobbling around Little Rock with a double ailment—a gold headed cane and a touch of rheumatism. Senator Martin was presented with the cane after the adjournment of the legislative session by Senator Webb Covington. He wears a felt slipper on his right foot, and declares that he really suffers with rheumatism, and the slipper is no sham to carry the cane. Senator Martin will go to Hot Springs to take a course of baths in order to get rid of the rheumatism, but he will keep the cane.

The News will appreciate that order for job printing.

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### Atty. Gen. Moose Delivers Opinion.

Little Rock, March 22—Attorney General W. L. Moose delivered a semi-official opinion Friday which will be of interest to every prosecuting attorney in Arkansas. He was asked by a Justice of the Peace of Batesville if a deputy prosecuting attorney was entitled to claim a fee in a case where information has been filed against a law violator, who entered a plea of guilty. The Attorney General holds the prosecutor is entitled to a fee in any case where information is filed by the office of the Prosecuting Attorney. There has been contention on this point for years, especially in the cities where it has been a custom to file information monthly against gamblers and other violators, who always entered pleas of guilty, but objected to paying costs to the prosecutor.

If you want to buy, sell, exchange or rent property you'd better see Roberts Land and Loan Co. Advt.

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### NEW CORPORATION.

Little Rock, March 22—Articles of incorporation for the Central Music Company, a Little Rock concern which will publish song books, were filed with the Secretary of State Friday afternoon. The capital stock is \$10,000 of which \$6000 has been subscribed. W. M. Ramsey is the president; L. B. Liesterm vice president; and J. L. Lindsey, the secretary and treasurer.

All members of the Knight Templar Commandery are requested to meet at the Asylum Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock to march in a body to the Easter services at the Presbyterian Church. All Sir Knights are earnestly requested to be present.

Emminent Commander.

The April number of the Ladies Home Journal is a good one. Get one at Hesterly Drug Store Thursday morning, the 20th of March.

With every pair of shoes bought at our store this week we will give you a 1913 five cent piece. —Hill's Shoe Store. Advt.

(Talks on Banking Sixth Article)

## Why We Welcome The Small Account

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